



*the ordinary magic*

wakes up at four  
yawns  
pores over papers and prepares  
drives in after a dozen years  
and teaches kids to think  
sighs  
thinks about their thinking  
  
(until thoughts are like so  
many blueberries—  
hands stained with ink,  
eyes straining to distinguish one blueness  
from another,  
lips numb from the bittersweet  
taste of process)  
  
thinks again and  
hums on

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